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Responsive to the Examiner's comments in the first Office Action, mailed January 9, 2004, and in accordance with the duty of candor and good faith imposed by 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and means of complying therewith according to 37 C.F.R. §§1.97 and 1.98, the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 are called to the attention of the Examiner in connection with the above-identified patent application. Copies of the cited references are enclosed. No representation is made that the cited art is the only art or that the cited art represents the best art.

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The Examiner is urged to consider the cited references and to make an independent decision with respect to their materiality.

Each item of information set forth in the attached PTO-1449 was cited in the parent U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/838,968, filed April 20, 2001 (still pending). The present application is a Continuation-In-Part application of 09/838,968, claiming the benefit thereof under 35 U.S.C. § 120.

Applicant encloses a check in the amount of \$180.00 due with this submission. If any additional fees are necessary, the Commissioner may consider this to be a request for such and charge any necessary fees to Deposit Account 23-3000.

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